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required of them by this act, he shall take an oath or affirmation, (as the case may be,) before some justice of the peace for the county aforesaid, that he will well and truly discharge the duties enjoined upon him by this act, according to the best of his judgment, without favor, affection or partiality.

CHAPTER 14.

Passed Dec. 20, 1815.

An act to lay out and make public a road therein mentioned, in Cecil County.

Commissioners—width & direction.

Sec. 1. BE IT ENACTED *by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That David Mackey, John Jordan and John Pitner be, and they are hereby appointed commissioners for the purpose of this act; and that they or a majority of them are hereby authorised and required to survey and lay out a wagon road, not exceeding thirty feet in width, beginning on the public road between Fair-Hill and Brick-Hill, near the corner of the lands of Jesse Tyson and Robert Karr, and on the line of Stephen Beanes, the said road to run an easterly course along the line of the lands of said Tyson and Karr or thereabouts as the commissioners may judge best, in a direction to intersect the great road between Dysarts tavern and the stone school house, called Union School.

Plot and certificate—overseer.

2. AND BE IT ENACTED, That it shall be the duty of the commissioners aforesaid, on or before the first day of September next, to cause a plot and certificate of said road to be made, and return the same to the levy court of Cecil county at their first sitting thereafter, whereupon it shall and may be lawful for the levy court of said county to levy upon the assessable property of the said county, a sum of money, such as they may deem necessary, and to appoint an overseer to open and clear said road agreeably to the plot and certificate aforesaid; and the said road when opened and cleared as aforesaid, shall be and the same is hereby declared to be forever thereafter a public road, and shall be kept in repair as other public roads in said county.

Damages.

3. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the said commissioners or a majority of them, shall value and ascertain the damages that may be sustained by each and every of the persons through whose lands the said road may pass by opening the same, taking into estimation the advantages and disadvantages if any; and the damages so ascertained shall be levied and assessed as other county charges are, and shall be paid over to the persons respectively through whose lands the said road may pass, petitioners for said road excepted; *Provided nevertheless*, that no money shall be levied or assessed for the purpose of discharging the damages that may be done, to any person or persons petitioning this General Assembly for said road.

Proviso.

Compensation.

4. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the said commissioners shall be entitled to receive a compensation for their attendance and services in discharge of their duties under this act, not exceeding two dollars per day, to be ascertained by the levy court, which is hereby directed to be levied collected and paid as other county charges are levied collected and paid.

CHAPTER 15.

Passed Jan. 5, 1816.

An act for the benefit of the heirs of William Norris, late of Harford County deceased, and their assignees.

Preamble.

WHEREAS, It is represented to this General Assembly